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1. USTINOV TABLED FOLLOWING REVISION FOR SECTION II, PARA. 1 OF

OFFENSIVE PROCEDURES:

PARAGRAPH II.1

"IN ALL CASES THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS SHALL BE PERFORMED IN CARRYING OUT DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION:

(A) REMOVAL FROM THE LAUNCH SITE OF THE SUPPLY OF MISSILES AND THEIR COMPONENTS, WARHEADS, AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT;

(B) DISMANTLING OF FIXED LAUNCH EQUIPMENT, ALL ERECTING AND HANDLING EQUIPMENT, AND PROPELLANT HANDLING EQUIPMENT, ASSOCIATED WITH THE LAUNCHER AND LOCATED AT THE LAUNCH SITE, AND REMOVAL OF ALL DISMANTLED EQUIPMENT FROM THE LAUNCH SITE.

LAUNCH EQUIPMENT IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE SYSTEMS, COMPONENTS, AND INSTRUMENTS REQUIRED TO LAUNCH A MISSILE." GRAYBEAL NOTED THAT SOVIET DRAFT DEALT ONLY WITH ITEMS "ASSOCIATED WITH THE LAUNCHER AND LOCATED AT THE LAUNCH SITE" AND FAILED TO INCLUDE FACILITIES WHICH DIRECTLY SUPPORT A LAUNCH SITE, AND THAT SITE ALONE, WHICH MAY NOT BE PHYSICALLY LOCATED AT THE SITE. THIS SUPPORTED US LANGUAGE WHICH READS "LOCATED AT OR ASSOCIATED WITH THE LAUNCH SITE."

2. USTINOV TABLED REVISED PARA. 8 OF PROTOCOL INCORPORATING US

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LANGUAGE AND A REVISED PARA. I.7 DROPPING THE NUMBER OF SSBNS

BETWEEN LAUNCH AND SEA TRIALS. GRAYBEAL ACCEPTED BOTH PARAGRAPHS WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS:

PARAGRAPH 8-

"THE NUMBER OF REPLACEMENT BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINES WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION SIMULTANEOUSLY SHALL NOT EXCEED A NUMBER CONSISTENT WITH A NORMAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE.

A NORMAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE ONE CONSISTENT WITH PAST OR PRESENT CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES ON EACH SIDE."

PARAGRAPH I.7.-

"DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF REPLACED LAUNCHERS SHALL BE INITIATED NO LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BEGINNING OF SEA TRIALS OF A REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE. THE INITIATION OF ANY OF THE ACTIONS IN SECTION II BELOW SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE THE INITIATION OF DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF AN ICBM LAUNCHER. THE INITIATION OF ANY OF THE ACTIONS IN SECTION III BELOW SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE THE INITIATION OF DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF AN SLBM LAUNCHER."

3. GRAYBEAL MADE PREPARED STATEMENT ON USE OF FACILITIES REMAINING AT ICBM SITES EXPLAINING AND SUPPORTING REVISED US LANGUAGE FOR PARA. II.4. OF PROCEDURES PER STATE 216221 READING AS FOLLOWS:

PARAGRAPH II.4.

"AFTER DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE PROCEDURES, FACILITIES REMAINING AT ICBM LAUNCH SITES MAY NOT BE USED EITHER FOR STORAGE, SUPPORT OR LAUNCH OF ICBMS, OR FOR STORAGE OR SUPPORT OF ICBM-CAPABLE LAUNCHERS, BUT MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SIDES, BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT AND THE PROTOCOL THERETO."

AFTER INDICATING THAT SOVIET SIDE WILL STUDY STATEMENT AND US PROPOSAL WITH "UTMOST CARE," USTINOV STATED THAT THE CONCEPT EVOKED SURPRISE AND THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS MEANT BY THE PHRASE "FOR STORAGE OR SUPPORT OF ICBM-CAPABLE LAUNCHERS."

THERE FOLLOWED AN EXTENSIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS DURING WHICH GRAYBEAL USED MOBILE ICBMS AS AN EXAMPLE OF A USE WHICH WOULD BE PRECLUDED BY THE US PROPOSAL, AND USTINOV MAINTAINING PARAS. 1. 2 AND 3 HANDLE PROBLEM ADEQUATELY. (COMMENT: FROM USTINOV'S REMARKS AT THE TABLE AND SUBSEQUENT PRIVATE EXCHANGES BETWEEN ADVISERS IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE PROHIBITION ON USE FOR STORAGE OR SUPPORT OF ICBM CAPABLE LAUNCHERS CREATED SOME CONFUSION AND CONCERN AS TO WHAT THE US SIDE HAD IN MIND WITH THIS ADDITION.)

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4. USTINOV TABLED REVISED PARA. 3 OF ABM PROTOCOL INCORPORATING US PROPOSAL OF NOVEMBER 1 AND AN ADDED THOUGHT THAT ASSOCIATED FACILITIES AT TEST RANGES WOULD BE EXCLUDED. REVISED PARA. READS AS FOLLOWS:

PARAGRAPH 3-

"DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES FOR ABM SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS RELATED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE

VII REGARDING REPLACEMENT OF THOSE SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS AND ARTICLE VIII OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ABM TREATY SHALL ENSURE THAT THE SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS AND THE FACILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THESE COMPONENTS, EXCLUDING THE FACILITIES AT TEST RANGES, WOULD BE PUT IN A CONDITION THAT PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR USE FOR ABM PURPOSES; SHALL ENSURE THAT REACTIVATION OF UNITS DISMANTLED OR DESTROYED WOULD BE DETECTABLE BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS OF VERIFICATION, SHALL BE SUCH THAT REACTIVATION TIME OF SUCH UNITS WOULD NOT BE SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE TIME REQUIRED FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION, AND SHALL PRECLUDE UNREASONABLE DELAYS IN DISMANTLING AND DESTRUCTION."

AFTER BRIEF DISCUSSION IN WHICH GRAYBEAL CLARIFIED PURPOSE OF SOVIET ADDITION, AS EXCLUDING ASSOCIATED FACILITIES AT TEST RANGES ONLY, HE INDICATED PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH REVISED PARAGRAPH.

5. GRAYBEAL MADE BRIEF STATEMENT REINFORCING US WORDING OF PARAGRAPH IV.A. REGARDING INTENTION TO PROVIDE A REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE. USTINOV STATED THAT SOVIET LANGUAGE CALLING FOR "NOTIFICATION OF THE LOSS OR DISABLEMENT SHALL BE MADE TO THE OTHER SIDE" WAS IN AND OF ITSELF NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENTION TO REPLACE THE SUBMARINE. HE DIDN'T LIKE THE US WORDS BECAUSE OF THE PRIOR NOTIFICATION CONNOTATION THEREIN.

6. TURNING TO SECTION II OF THE ABM PROCEDURES USTINOV ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION CONCERNING WHY THE WALL CONSTRUCTION IN PARA. II.B. WAS TO BE COVERED WITHOUT DESTRUCTION OF THE WALLS, AND WERE LAUNCHERS INCLUDED IN PARA. II.C. GRAYBEAL RESPONDED THAT THE WALLS IN II.B. WERE IN EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, MOSTLY BELOW GROUND LEVEL, AND WOULD BE COVERED WITH EARTH IN ORDER TO AVOID A LOCAL FARMER OR COW INJURING THEMSELVES. GRAYBEAL STATED THAT PARA. II.C. WOULD INCLUDE LAUNCHERS FOR WHICH, SINCE THE US HAD HALTED CONSTRUCTION OF MALMSTROM ON MAY 26, 1972, ONLY FOUNDATIONS EXISTED, AND THESE WOULD BE COVERED WITH EARTH.

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7. NEXT MEETING NOV 8 AT WHICH TIME BOTH SIDES WILL CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF SPECIFIC ICBM DESTRUCTION AND DISMANTLING PROCEDURES AND CERTAIN ASPECTS OF ABM PROCEDURES. GRAYBEAL

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